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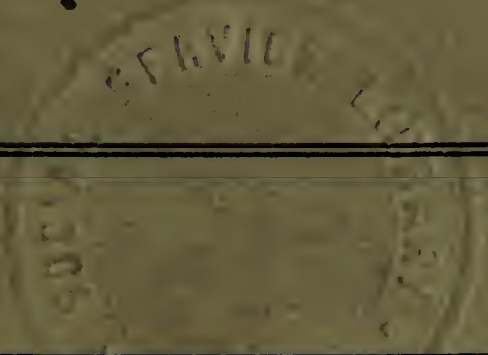


Boston Industrial Home



1914

Thirty-Seventh Year
Helping Men to
Help Themselves



Thirty - Seventh
Annual Report
of the
Boston Industrial Home
[Incorporated]
Corner Davis Street and
Harrison Avenue
Established 1877



For Year Ending
December 31
1914



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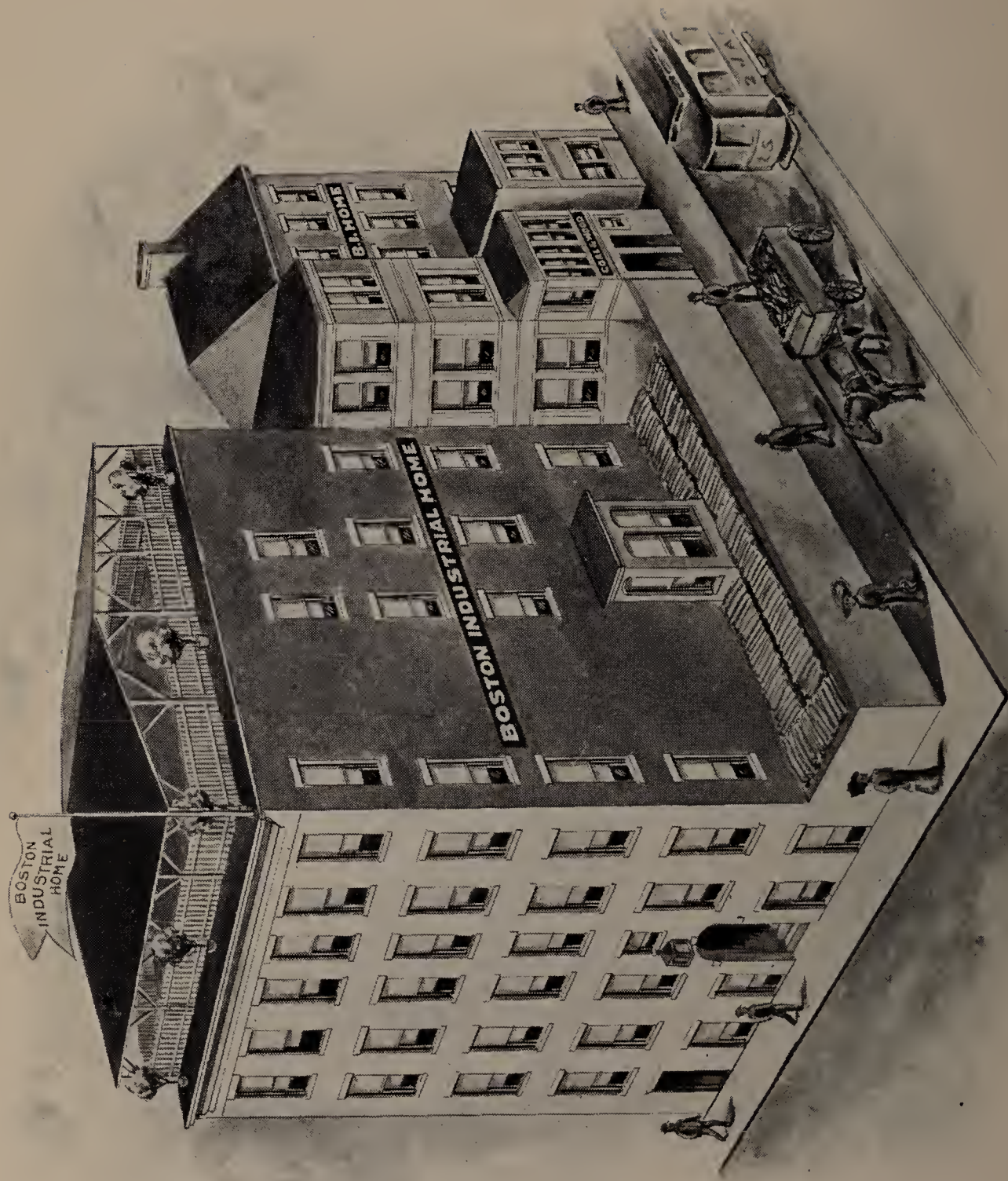
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Superintendent Elliot will visit churches, Sunday schools, and societies to present the work on request.



CORNER DAVIS STREET AND HARRISON AVENUE

President's Report

IT would be difficult to overestimate the obstacles through which we have passed this past year, and it would also be difficult to overestimate the importance of the work which we have been doing in our splendid institution. The unfortunate fire which broke out in one of our lodging houses in the city brought new rules for all lodging houses, and we were compelled to invest between three and four thousand dollars in a complete fire equipment, with fire escapes and automatic sprinklers throughout the building. It was undoubtedly hard and yet a blessing in disguise, for now we can boast of the best-protected place in the city — better than any hotel, even. All of this has entailed an added expense which could be met only by a new mortgage on our building.

This year has witnessed again one of those periodic times of lack of employment which only emphasizes the importance of our work. We have been unable to meet the demand made on us for housing and for work. The city has opened its lodging houses and relieved the congestion, but at an undoubted damage to the characters of the men. It is necessary to do it at times, but to give relief and lodging without work is always a doubtful method of handling the question. It has undoubtedly attracted hundreds of the professional class who would have hesitated if work were required. We believe that our method is the only one — give the man work, an opportunity to earn something for himself, to become self-supporting

before charity is dispensed. Our wood yard has been worked to its full capacity and we would have handled much more wood and many more men if we had had the space available in which we could store the wood and work the men. It is doubtful if any finer bit of work is being done in the city of Boston than that done on the corner of Davis Street and Harrison Avenue, where homeless and workless men are given the chance to have and to earn a lodging and a meal.

In addition we would not forget nor would we by any means place second the gospel work which is continually being carried on. The men and women are being constantly reached by the gospel note, and many are being born into the kingdom of God and into better manhood. This part of our work is never forgotten, and the industrial part is only carried on that we may win our way into the hearts of the men and women whom we help, that we may bring Christ to them as a real and permanent helper.

But we need funds. We have never made any appeal to the public. We have tried to be self-supporting from our work, but the margin of profits has been much reduced, and each year we have had to face a deficit. Friends have very kindly remembered us with bequests from time to time, but most of these bequests have been for fresh air work, etc., but little so far has come to us for maintenance. We need now to build up such a fund, so that the policy of mortgaging our plant will not be necessary. We believe we are doing the most constructive work in Boston for men and women, and we desire to speak to the hearts of Boston and ask for immediate help.

GEORGE L. CADY,
President.

Superintendent's Report

IT is a pleasurable duty and a source of gratification for me to present a concise record of the important accomplishments of this Home during the years 1913 and 1914, the thirty-sixth and thirty-seventh respectively in its history. It is an opportunity both of retrospect and prospect. Our hopes for the future must of necessity be based to a large extent upon past achievements, for it is only by measuring what we have actually done that we can obtain a correct estimate of our progress and lay our plans for further development.

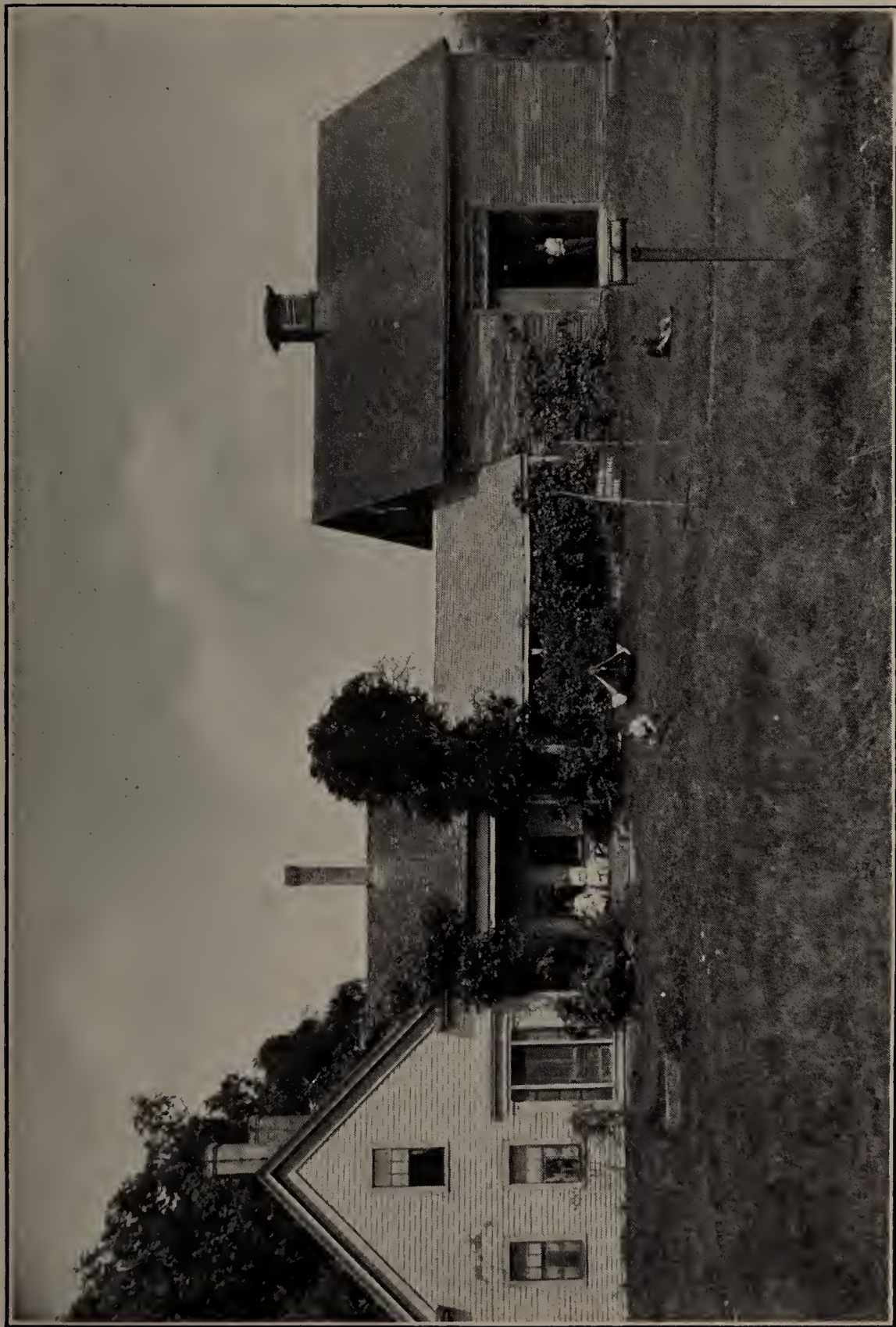
Our responsibility increases in proportion to the service we render. No man can limit the far-reaching and beneficial effect of the work we are doing, nor can the helpfulness of our teaching and the practical value of our service be reduced to mathematical terms. I can tell you very easily and quickly the number of needy persons lodged and fed in the two years we are considering, but I cannot estimate the number of lives that were reclaimed, the number of hearts that were given courage to try again, or the number of souls that were turned to God. We have seen dissipated, broken-down, discouraged men rise on stepping stones of their dead selves to higher things. We feed the hungry, provide rest for the weary, administer to the sick; we help the material man and woman, but the vital part of our work is moral, spiritual, and educational,

for it is around these three elements that we must rebuild the broken life, stimulate wholesome ambition, and correct the perverted viewpoint.

Religious Work

THIS is the real constructive basis of our work, for we believe that character makes the man and character cannot be built without a substantial moral and spiritual foundation to withstand the influences which break down and destroy. During the two years we held 450 gospel meetings in the chapel, with good music and plain heart-to-heart talks. Our aim is to give every man something that he can live by, something he can take into his heart and apply to his everyday life. It is in these meetings that our people are encouraged to face the world anew, obtain a wholesome regard for better things and a desire to live a clean, useful life.

Among those who have given valuable assistance in our gospel work are the Men's Class of the Clarendon Street Baptist Church and the Newton Theological Seminary, which has sent us many able speakers. The Rev. Leon H. Austin, of the Roslindale Congregational Church; Rev. Wm. W. Tufts, D.D., of the First Presbyterian Church; Rev. Francis W. O'Brien, D.D., of the Union Square Baptist Church, Somerville; Mr. Charles A. Schmitt, of our Board, who drops in frequently with a helpful word; Mr. C. P. Raymond, a Corporate Member, who has come to sing for us on several occasions. The Sunday evening service is the big meeting of the week and the chapel is always filled to its capacity. Mrs. Guy Fern Jones, of Waverley, who has sung for us about ten years, comes regularly to this service, and the value of her assistance cannot be estimated. She is gifted with a



OUR FARM AT FOXBORO, MASS.

wonderfully sweet soprano voice and it is not unusual to see the tear start as the gospel in song reaches the hearts of our people. Mr. Nathan Cibulski, a young converted Hebrew, who is an accomplished violinist, plays at the Sunday evening service and often adds his testimony to supplement the speaker's efforts to reach men for Christ. To these friends and all others who have helped us in our gospel work I desire to express my heartiest and deepest sense of appreciation.

Summer Work

OUR Fresh Air work was augmented in 1914 by taking over a farm at Foxboro, Mass. This farm had been neglected for some time, and without any special cultivation of the soil we could not expect much more than an experimental season. In fact our Board planned to use it merely as a Fresh Air Camp last summer, and in that respect it proved a great success. Men and women who have never known what a real wholesome vacation is like passed happy days there, while a diet of country fare proved a formidable opponent to dipsomania and other vitiating habits. We have ploughed over about three acres in anticipation of the coming season, and we hope to raise a large proportion of the vegetables that will be needed at the Home and at the farm.

Our Roof Garden, with its beautiful flowers and foliage, protected from the sun during the day by a canvas covering and lighted at night by electricity, afforded a means of restful enjoyment to all who sought its advantages. Our gospel meetings were held on the roof garden during the months of June, July, August, and September, the average attendance being fifty-five persons. These were the hours in which God's richest blessings came to our

people, the blessing of brotherly love and the desire to live a Christian life. Total amount expended for Fresh Air Fund, 1913 and 1914, \$3,029.56.

Dispensary

ANY reference to this helpful department must, of necessity, be something of a repetition of what has been said many times before, for no man could possibly be more loyal and efficient than Dr. Herbert D. Boyd, of our Board, and the work that I have praised on so many other occasions deserves the same mention now. The general health of our inmates was very good during the two years we are considering, the few who needed hospital attention being ably cared for by Dr. Boyd at the Homeopathic Hospital.

Statistics

MEN'S DEPARTMENT	1913	1914
The total number of lodgings for men	31,280	30,548
The total number of meals for men	40,575	41,483
The total number of days' work furnished	11,767	12,040
The total number of baths	7,288	6,486
The total number of garments sterilized	2,581	3,511
The total number of men admitted during year . .	1,820	2,284

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT		
The total number of lodgings for women	10,268	9,849
The total number of meals for women	10,450	11,136
The total number of baths for women	1,812	1,437
The total number of women admitted during year .	380	486

SUMMARY STATISTICS		
Total lodgings for men and women, 1913-14		81,945
Total meals for men and women, 1913-14		103,644
Total days' work for men, 1913-14		18,253
Total baths for men and women, 1913-14		17,023
Total men and women admitted, 1913-14		4,970



CHRISTMAS TREE, 1914

Thanksgiving and Christmas

THESE events were celebrated as usual. On Thanksgiving Day we provided a roast turkey dinner, with all the "fixin's," and an entertainment. The total number of persons who partook of this feast both in 1913 and 1914 was 780.

Christmas Day we furnished a roast pork dinner, with plum pudding, and in the evening a vocal and instrumental concert. Each inmate received a useful gift. The total Thanksgiving and Christmas expenses were \$375, and this entire amount was contributed by friends of the Home.

Industrial Department

OUR coal and wood yard furnishes the labor whereby we test the worthiness of those who come to us, for like the Apostle Paul we believe, "if a man will not work neither should he eat." The man who will not work we do not consider a helpable case. This department also furnishes our financial momentum, since we depend almost wholly upon the profits from the sale of wood and coal to defray the cost of operating our work. A substantial increase in our list of patrons would, beyond a doubt, make the Home self-supporting, and as this is our aim we urge the philanthropic public to buy their wood and coal of us.

Women's Department

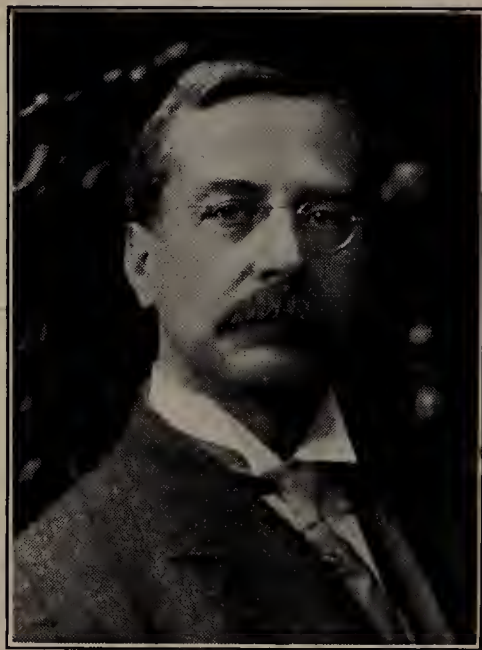
WE have accommodations for twenty-five women, but we have no work test in this department. Our purpose here is to provide clean, comfortable quarters with wholesome surroundings to women who are able to pay for it. The charge of twenty-five cents per night includes the privileges a woman would have in her own home as far as practicable.

Mrs. Elliot has supervision of this department, and the beneficial results of our work among the women is constantly being manifested.

Kidder Fund

THIS special fund is for sending worthy persons to their homes and during the past two years we have assisted many such cases. This helpful agency was not wholly confined to our inmates, but to many applicants sent us from other societies and ministers. The total expenditure from this fund during 1913 and 1914 was \$181.80.

OLIVER C. ELLIOT,
Superintendent.



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VIEW OF PORTION OF ROOF GARDEN

Dr.

Receipts and Expenditures for Year 1914

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1914			
Jan. 1.	Balance on hand	\$347 12	Paid for coal and wood \$27,058 26
	From sale of coal and wood	36,160 60	“ “ printing, stationery, and postage 234 59
“	persons aided	5,250 20	“ “ provisions and supplies 4,341 79
“	mortgage	5,000 00	“ “ salaries superintendent and officers 1,675 00
“	donations	205 80	“ “ labor paid employees 3,367 08
“	income from Legacy	326 00	“ “ labor paid transients 1,562 00
“	interest on deposits	14 14	“ “ stable maintenance 1,231 57
			“ “ special improvements 3,769 49
			“ “ repairs and refurnishing 824 48
			“ “ water rates and insurance 279 65
			“ “ gas and electric light 739 33
			“ “ advertising 144 64
			“ “ telephone 150 50
			“ “ medical expense 111 71
			“ “ interest on loans 627 22
			“ “ miscellaneous 384 81
			1915
	Jan. 1.	Balance on hand	801 74
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		\$47,303 86	\$47,303 86

CHARLES D. BAGNALL, Treasurer.

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} Auditing Committee.

We have examined the accounts of the Boston Industrial Home and find the same correctly cast and the proper vouchers on file.

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* 1913 and 1914



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Form of Bequest

I GIVE AND BEQUEATH TO THE BOSTON INDUSTRIAL HOME THE SUM OF
.....DOLLARS, FOR THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE
INSTITUTION WAS ESTABLISHED; WHICH IS; TO FURNISH A TEMPORARY
HOME, WITH ITS COMFORTS, TO THOSE DESTITUTE OF FRIENDS, MONEY,
AND OUT OF EMPLOYMENT; ALSO THE REFORMATION OF THE INTEMPERATE,
ETC.

Notice

Cast-off clothing for men and women is always
very necessary in our work. We will
gladly send for packages
upon notification

**Garments sent to us will be *giben* away to deserving
persons, and Not Sold**

